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**Agreement Between the
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and SRI LANKA**

Amending the Agreement of August 29, 1964

Effectuated by Exchange of Notes
Dated at Colombo June 23 and August 13, 1998



NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Pursuant to Public Law 89—497, approved July 8, 1966
(80 Stat. 271; 1 U.S.C. 113)—

“ . . . the Treaties and Other International Acts Series issued under the authority of the Secretary of State shall be competent evidence . . . of the treaties, international agreements other than treaties, and proclamations by the President of such treaties and international agreements other than treaties, as the case may be, therein contained, in all the courts of law and equity and of maritime jurisdiction, and in all the tribunals and public offices of the United States, and of the several States, without any further proof or authentication thereof.”

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*Agreement amending the agreement
of August 29, 1964.
Effected by exchange of notes
Dated at Colombo June 23 and August 13, 1998;
Entered into force August 13, 1998.*

No. 128

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, and has the honor to refer to the August 29, 1964 Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Ceylon for Financing Certain Educational Exchange Programs (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement").

That agreement, superseding an Agreement of November 17, 1952 (as amended), provided for the establishment of a foundation to be known as the "United States Educational Foundation in Ceylon" (thereafter referred to as "the Foundation") to facilitate the administration of an educational program to be financed by funds made available to the Foundation by the Government of the United States of America. In accordance with the Agreement, the Foundation has now been operating more than 44 years.

The six-member Board of Directors of the Foundation, consisting of three U.S. citizens and three Sri Lankans as described in Article 4 of the Agreement, have unanimously proposed that the name of the Foundation be changed, through amendment of the Agreement, to "The United States - Sri Lanka Fulbright Commission".

This proposed name change would more accurately reflect the binational character of the organization and recognize existing general practice of referring to the organization as the "Fulbright Commission".

The Government of United States, acting through its Embassy at Colombo, proposes that the text of the Agreement be amended throughout (except in the historical reference of Article 13) by replacing the term "Government of Ceylon" with "Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka"; by replacing the name "United States Educational Foundation in Ceylon" with "United States - Sri Lanka Fulbright Commission"; and by replacing the term "the Foundation" with "the Commission". It is further proposed that the Agreement's references to the nation of "Ceylon" not otherwise modified by the above proposals be taken to refer to the nation of "Sri Lanka".

Noting that Article 12 of the Agreement provides for the Agreement's amendment by an exchange of notes, the Embassy proposes that this note and the Ministry's note in reply accepting these proposals constitute an amendment to the text of the Agreement.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.



Embassy of the United States of America,

Colombo, June 23, 1998.



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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America in Colombo and has the honour to refer to the latter's diplomatic note No. 128 of June 23rd, 1998 regarding the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Ceylon for Financing Certain Educational Exchange Programs of 29th August 1964 (hereinafter referred to as "The Agreement")

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is pleased to confirm its acceptance of the proposals contained in the aforesaid note and that the note of the US Embassy and this note in reply shall constitute an amendment to the text of the agreement in terms of Article 12 thereof.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

Colombo
13th August, 1998

The Embassy of the U.S.A.
Colombo

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